## **REMARKS**

The specification has been amended to include information concerning crossreferences to other applications, as well as federally funded research,.

Claims 5-8 have been cancelled, and Claims 1-4 and 9 and 10 have been amended to eliminate multiple claim dependency and to conform to U.S. style. Claims 11-13 have been added to reduce the multiple dependency of originally filed Claims 1-9. The Abstract has been amended to conform to U.S. style.

Amendments were made to paragraphs [00020] and [00025] of the specification, and to claim 10 which correspond to Applicants' Response to the First Written Opinion (copy provided with the IPER).

Action on the merits is respectfully requested.

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